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In re Application of:)
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For: A NOVEL CELL SURFACE RECEPTOR FOR HIV RETROVIRUSES,
THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC USES
being a Continuation of PCT International Application No.
PCT/EP98/01409, filed March 12, 1998.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend the
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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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Page 1, before line 5, insert: This application is a continuation of International
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